

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed S. 454, Weapon Systems Acquisition Reform Act.

House Committee ordered reported Fiscal Year 2009 Supplemental Appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5249–S5301

Measures Introduced: Twenty-one bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 993–1013, and S. Res. 136–138. **Pages S5281–82**

Measures Reported:

S. Res. 49, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the importance of public diplomacy.

S. Res. 84, urging the Government of Canada to end the commercial seal hunt.

S. 327, to amend the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 and the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to improve assistance to domestic and sexual violence victims and provide for technical corrections, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 838, to provide for the appointment of United States Science Envoys. **Page S5281**

Measures Passed:

Weapon Systems Acquisition Reform Act: By a unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. 186), Senate passed S. 454, to improve the organization and procedures of the Department of Defense for the acquisition of major weapon systems, as amended, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S5254–55, S5256–67**

Adopted:

Levin (for Murray/Chambliss) Modified Amendment No. 1052, to expand the national security objectives of the national technology and industrial base and clarify the role of major defense acquisition programs toward such objectives. **Page S5256**

McCain (for Coburn) Amendment No. 1057, to require a plan for the elimination of weaknesses in operations that hinder the capacity to assemble and

assess reliable cost information on assets required under major defense acquisition programs. **Page S5256**

Urging Government of Canada to end Commercial Seal Hunt: Senate agreed to S. Res. 84, urging the Government of Canada to end the commercial seal hunt. **Page S5297**

National Train Day: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 125, in support and recognition of National Train Day, May 9, 2009, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S5297–98**

Honoring Concerns of Police Survivors: Senate agreed to S. Res. 138, honoring Concerns of Police Survivors for 25 years of service to family members of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. **Page S5298**

Appointments:

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 101–509, the appointment of Steve Zink, of Nevada, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress. **Page S5298**

Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 3 p.m., on Monday, May 11, 2009, Senate begin consideration of H.R. 627, to amend the Truth in Lending Act to establish fair and transparent practices relating to the extension of credit under an open end consumer credit plan, and that once the bill is reported Senator Dodd, or his designee, be recognized to offer the Dodd/Shelby amendment in the nature of a substitute; provided further that the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed be withdrawn. **Page S5270**